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A Law to encrease the annual Subscriptions of the Members of the American Philosophical Society held at Philadelphia for promoting useful knowledge, and also to encrease the Deposites of newly elected Members on their admission into the said Society.

WHEREAS the customary annual payment of *Ten Shillings* from each Member of the American Philosophical Society, and also the customary deposite of *Ten Shillings* by each newly elected Member, on his admission into the said Society, hath been found inadequate to the necessary and occasional expenditures of the Society.

Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the American Philosophical Society, held at Philadelphia for promoting useful knowledge, by virtue of the chartered rights to the said Society granted, and by authority of the same, That for the future, that is to say, from and after the first of March next, the payments to be made by every Member of the said Society shall be *Four Dollars* annually, and the deposite to be made by every newly elected Member, from and after the said first of March, shall be *Ten Dollars*. And no Member who shall be in arrear for his annual subscription or deposite, shall be eligible to any office in the said Society, or be permitted to vote at elections, or at the ordinary meetings of the Society, until he shall have fully paid up his said arrears.

And be it further enacted, That no newly elected Member shall receive a certificate of his election, or be admitted as a Member of the said Society, until he shall have paid into the treasury the said deposite of *Ten Dollars* and also his arrearages of *Four Dollars* per annum, if any such shall have accrued from the time of his election.

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Provided always, That honorary Members in foreign parts, shall not be subject to this law, nor shall their certificates of election be withheld on account of their not paying the depofite or annual fubfcription aforefaid. Nevertheless, if any fuch foreign Member fhould happen to come to the city of Philadelphia with a view of fettlement or refidence, then fuch Member fhall pay the depofite money as before directed, and fhall thenceforth be liable for the annual fubfcription in common with other refident Members.

And be it further enacted, That all former laws, ordinances or customs inconfiftent with or contradictory to this act, be, and the fame are hereby repealed.

Enacted into a law at a meeting of the American Philofophical Society, according to Charter, this fixth day of January, Anno Domini, one thoufand feven hundred and eighty-fix.

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